Transportation Advisory Committee
June 8, 2016 TAC, 7:15 pm to 9:15 pm, Town Hall 2nd floor conf. room

Present: Wayne Chouinard, Mike Gordon, John Hurd, Melissa Laube, Marjorie Moores, Howard

Muise, Corey Rateau, Jeanette Rebecchi, Victor Rivas, Scott Smith, Laura Wiener

Non-members present: None

Missing members: Cary Conrad, Seth Federspiel, Jeff Maxtutis

Public Comments: none

<u>Town Issues and Activities</u>: Laura reported on a development project being reviewed by the ARB—a child care center proposed for 93 Broadway, corner of North Union Street. They are requesting reduced parking with Transportation Demand Management. Howard and Scott agreed to look at the plan.

Laura also reported that PIGC is looking at moving the #87 bus stop from Broadway Plaza to Broadway at Alton Street. There is a bump-out without crosswalk at Franklin that might be acceptable to remove. The sidewalk would need to be narrowed to allow room for a bus without interfering with the fire trucks at Central Station. The Alton Street location allows the bus to stay connected with #77 and #80 buses.

Complete Streets policy was accepted by MassDOT in May. Working Group is working on a Prioritization Plan to allow us to apply for funds.

Wayne went through his memo. There is a problem with vehicle detection at Mass/Foster/Linwood. Road paving has started in East Arlington. CLAMP project--conduit is in ground. Wayne reported on a meeting with Mary Street residents about cut-through traffic. MBTA furniture should be installed soon. Sidewalks--some lines on existing utility poles are unclaimed, so poles haven't been removed.

<u>Lowell St.</u> Wayne will revise plans. Send to Jeanette who will run it by the neighbors. <u>Crosswalk on Warren Street</u>. Wayne brought a drawing to review. Recommends adding crosswalk across Warren on west side of Wyman. Stop bars on Wyman. Add a sign "no parking here to corner" on Warren eastbound.

<u>Town Day</u>. July 7 deadline, need to allocate \$70. Consensus to approve, will vote at July meeting. Marjorie and Howard met to talk about Town Day. Looked at materials. Some ideas for outreach at Town Day include a board explaining a HAWK signal, outreach on Lake Street/Bikeway signal, Complete Streets Prioritization Plan, bus ridership, info on crash locations. Need updated info from Corey, and DOT. Last updated 2010.

Gibbs School Traffic Study. Howard noted that the School Committee voted to make Gibbs a 6th grade, and voted to ask TAC and Planning Dept. for help analyzing the traffic. When we find out more we will set up a Working Group. Jeff, Scott, and Melissa volunteered.

<u>Speed Table at Magnolia/Herbert intersection</u>. Parks and Rec. is renovating Magnolia Playground and Selectmen have asked TAC to investigate feasibility of a speed table for traffic calming at the park entrance. There is no funding in the Park project for it. Need to investigate traffic volume and speeds, and drainage. WG--Jeff, Marjorie, Howard. Former report looked at the same intersection.

<u>Safe Ped. access at bus stops</u>. Melissa reported they are done collecting data and in analysis phase. In general they have found an absence of crosswalks, paved landing pads, dangerous

intersections, small waiting areas, and limited visibility of stops due to geometry. Report will talk about potential improvements, prioritized.

<u>Park and Appleton</u>. Consensus to approve a budget for traffic counts. Will be voted at July meeting.

Minuteman Bikeway Counts. Conducted by ABAC. Trend is up for all modes using Minuteman Bikeway. Peak hour has 400 bikes and pedestrians per hour. Daily count has tripled from 2011. Parking on Mill St. Working Group recommended removing parking at the approach to Mass. Ave. during morning peak hour. Report will be ready next meeting. No parking 7-9. School Issues. Safe Routes Group doesn't meet in summer. There will be a new State Coordinator. School zone signs are needed for Gibbs and Ottoson.

<u>Jason St.</u> Howard is pulling together report, will send to Wayne. Speed table proposed for entrance to Menotomy Rocks Park could be funded through Complete Streets. Howard will run it through our Traffic Calming criteria.

<u>Paul Revere Road</u>. Marjorie and Howard met to discuss. Updated base map for both locations-Appleton/Park and Paul Revere/Park. Speed data and sign data are being collected. Meeting adjourned: 9:15.

Meeting Materials:

- Meeting Packet for June: Agenda 6/8/16; Minutes of 5/11/16; Individual Action List 6/8/16; Project List dated 6/8/16.
- Memo from Marie Krepelka, Board Administrator, Selectmen's Office to Howard Muise, Chair, Transportation Advisory Committee, Re: Speed Table @ Intersection of Magnolia Street and Herbert Road, dated May 25, 2016
- Memo to Selectmen from Joseph Connelly, Director of Recreation, Re: Magnolia Playground/Herbert Road Request for TAC Input, dated May 13, 2016.
- Cumulative May Data—Bikeway User Counts, as of May, 2016.